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E.O. 11652: GDS

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1. U.S. MISSION BERLIN CONCURS FULLY IN REFTEL POSITION THAT SUBJECT OF RIAS IS IRRELEVANT TO US/GDR NEGOTIATIONS. IN MISSION'S VIEW, IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR TACTICAL REASONS TO BLOCK ANY GDR ATTEMPT TO BRING UP RIAS AS SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION IN ANY FORM OR CONTEXT.

2. FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS DESERVE PARTICULAR EMPHASIS:

A. QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT REAFFIRMS ALLIES' RIGHTS IN BERLIN, AND RIAS OPERATION IS PART OF US RIGHT.

B. RIAS, TO BERLINERS AND GERMANS, SYMBOLIZES US PRESENCE IN AND COMMITMENT TO BERLIN, AND ANY SUSPICION THAT RIAS BEING DISCUSSED IN CONTEXT OF JULY 15 TALKS WOULD HAVE MOST ADVERSE EFFECT ON MOOD AND MORALE OF BERLINERS, IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS.

C. WHEREAS RIAS BROADCASTS IN CALM, FACTUAL TONE, PROVIDING INFORMATION AND ENTERTAINMENT IN SPIRIT CONDUCTIVE TO INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND SPIRIT OF  
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DETENTE, GDR PERSISTS IN JAMMING RIAS ON MEDIUM WAVE, AN

ACTION AND ATTITUDE STRICTLY CONTRARY TO GOOD RELATIONS  
BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS AND DISRUPTIVE OF SPIRIT OF DETENTE,

3. IF GDR WANTS QUID PRO QUO FOR ADDITIONAL US CULTURAL  
CENTERS IN GDR, MOST LOGICAL OFFER WOULD BE COMPARABLE  
GDR FACILITIES IN US. HOWEVER, RIAS SHOULD NOT  
BE BARGAINING-CHIP ELEMENT IN SUCH A NEGOTIATION.KLEIN

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